

GENERAL MEETING

TUESDAY
JUNE 3rd 1997

8:00PM

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Stuff & Minutes

The general meeting of May 5th was almost called to order at 8 PM by President Robbie Bridges. (Seems as though he just started the meeting somewhere in the middle and eliminated all the in-between stuff) Robbie covered the regular club news and the nights raffle prizes as well as a for sale 1040 system.

As Robbie continued to stumble along it soon became evident that the source of his problem was a salesman that was at the meeting to give a demonstration. The salesman or rather saleswoman was a young lady, Donna Wolff from RICOCHET wireless modems. After Robbie managed to introduce her, Donna explained her product and demonstrated by making an Internet connection using her notebook computer and one of the Ricochet modems.

The Ricochet consists of a wireless modem using a wide area digital, packet switching radio network to make a connection to the Internet. The modem operates on the 902/928 MHz radio band and uses its own Network for the connection. The cost of the Ricochet unlimited Internet service is \$30 a month plus the modem, which start at \$12.50 a month.

As with most systems of this nature there are a number of different upgrades that can be obtained to upgrade the basic system. The modems may be rented, leased or purchased outright. Anyone wanting further information may contact (Robbie's friend) Donna at 408-371-0385.

Next on the schedule was Terry Stearns with this months 8 Bit Floppy. As usual Terry searched around and came up with some different programs for the Floppy. One of his selections was a joystick-controlled menu. (Leave it to old lazy to find a program like this.) Another unusual program was a card game, now, as almost everybody knows the card game HEARTS has been around a long time and has very set rules, as do most games of this nature. Well my good friend Terry decided that the game needed to be spiced up with new rules, so when you play this one watch out. Just as a matter of interest Terry's game playing ability hasn't improved, he still scores about 1 on any he demonstrates.

Next officers nominations, there weren't any. Get ready for another year of crooked raffles if someone isn't nominated to beat these raffle crooks. The election is at the June meeting, which is the last chance to nominate candidates.

Last but not least the crooked raffle, it seems everybody wanted a piece of the first prize monitor or the Tee shirts but as usual the raffle was controlled by the head crooks and only the favored few had any chance. The monitor was won by the main Dirty Old Man, Bob Scholar.

Being nothing further the meeting was adjourned at 10 PM.

Jim Moran - Secty.

SLCC DISK OF THE MONTH No. 1506

by Bob Scholar SLCC 8-bit Software Co-Chairman

D.O.M. JUNE 1997 - SUMMARY

The front of this DOM has 3 Games and 1 UTILITY (with its *.DOC). The back has 7 Movie DEMOs. All the Games and MVM DEMOS are from Bellcom.

I used MYDOS with MENUYD for the front because we haven't had it on one of our disks since January 1994.

DIRECTORY of DISK #1506

Front:- Boot with BASIC!

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*SAN LEANDRO 000 *COMP.. CLUB 000
DOS SYS 035 SLCC1506DOC 029
AUTORUN SYS 002 HELLO 011
MENU 034 DUP SYS 054
PSTR205 BAS 101 PSTR205 DOC 108
AMPHIB OBJ 084 CHAIN BAS 050
CHAIN DOC 014 KCAVERN OBJ 175
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Back:- Boot without BASIC!!

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DOS SYS 039 LUNALEEPMVM 078
AUTORUN SYS 052 FAN MVM 084
PMD MVM 071 WALKERS1MVM 087
WALKERS2MVM 097 SLIDE MVM 085
ROCK MVM 103
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PROGRAM DETAILS

AMPHIB.OBJ:- an action Game for 1 player and Joystick, from the Bellcom

library. To survive, you mustn't stay on the dry land too long. Make points by dropping nuts on the amphibians as they pass below. If a nut hits, it's replaced. Birds (and squirrels) will also drop them. The game is over when they're all gone; or if you touch any amphibian or etc. If you pause awhile the game goes into 'DEMO' mode. When you turn black (dehydrate?) you must go back to the swamp. Your HI score is displayed during any session.

CHAIN.BAS- (Chain Reaction) is an excellent strategy Game; for 1 player or 2, with Joystick(s). You'll Place bombs on a grid so that they explode and take over adjacent squares. It's a little like OTHELLO, and the object of the game is also- to take the most territory. The file (CHAIN.DOC) does a fine job of explaining the rules of play, plus providing some hints as to the best strategy.

KCAVERN.OBJ is an action Game by Len Dorfman (from Bellcom). You have five lives with which to explore the K(armic) Caverns. The Game ends when you lose these lives, or when the on-screen timer runs out. Make points by touching the dots (100) or the dashes

(13-800). Touching the walls or posts or the floating (lacey) squares costs one of your lives. HI scores in each 'round' are shown. You should be able to beat my High of 3000!

PSTR205.BAS is the latest update of Tom Andrew's PRINTSTAR program. It revises earlier versions by providing the user with the ability to pre-set the actual printed length (in inches) of the text. I used it to print out the SLCC Journal article for June. It was programmed by Tom in response to my suggestion. Other versions of this program (and general historical data) are on SLCC disks Nos. 1011; 1109 and 1110; 1304; & 1307.

PSTR205.DOC on this disk, gives a brief description of the use of this version, and the background for it.

Boot the back without BASIC!

BELLCOM's Movie Disk #4 occupies most of the back side. It had 6 Movie Maker demos with an autoplayer. These included Musical Instruments; Walkers 1 and 2; PMD; Musical Animation; and SLIDE. I added the LUNALEEP demo to fill out the disk side.